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## Identical letters dated 21 January 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I write to draw your attention to the most recent terror attack against Israeli civilians. This morning, 12 Israelis were savagely stabbed by a Palestinian terrorist on a Tel Aviv bus.

The terrorist, who attacked innocent men and women, came from the city of Tulkarem, but he was not alone. On the bus with him, and directing his murderous hand, were years of anti-Israel incitement fed to him by Palestinian leaders, as well as the rogue regimes that fund and celebrate terrorist attacks against Jews, namely, Iran and Qatar.

Shortly after the attack, Hamas — a terrorist group, proxy of Iran and President Abbas's partner in the Palestinian unity government — praised the stabbings and encouraged Palestinians to commit similar attacks against Israelis. Numerous cartoons were posted on Hamas-affiliated news websites. Hours after this morning's terrorist attack, in which 12 Israelis were stabbed, Palestinian media outlets posted cartoons praising the stabbings. Safa News Agency published the image of a knife painted in the colours of the Palestinian flag. In the background is a bloodied Israeli flag. The caption reads "Good morning Palestine". Another cartoon depicts a terrorist holding a bloodied knife. The sign reads "occupied Tel Aviv".

The Security Council has yet to say a word in response to the wave of terrorism aimed at Israeli citizens in recent months. By remaining silent, the Council is giving terrorists and their sponsors a free pass and literally letting them get away with murder.

I urge the Council to immediately and unequivocally condemn the recent terrorist attacks. It must denounce Palestinian incitement, denounce the Hamas terrorist group and denounce those states that are lending their support to this murderous campaign.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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